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**RUTHLESS CONQUERORS  
ARE ON THE MARCH!**

**CAN THE BLACKHAWKS  
CHALLENGE THE SINISTER**

**MEN FROM THE FUTURE?**





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# The Man Called Death

**T**HE man was gray like the night and could slip unseen among the shadows! And his only objective in life was DEATH!

There were three people against whom Will Bender sought revenge! The first was Blackie Ford, a man he had known and trusted and even befriended! But Blackie had once worked with the underworld and the criminal instinct was in his blood! He pulled a robbery, then shot to make his getaway, and his victim had died in the hospital later! But Blackie was too smart to take the rap! He had planted the stolen goods in Will's apartment along with the murder weapon and had then testified against him in court!

"The lowest form of scoundrel," Bender said bitterly to himself! "He deserves the worst and I'll see that he gets it!"

The second man was Mike Gaines! Mike and Will had loved the same girl! By pretending to be a witness to the crime, Mike had helped convince the jury of Will's guilt! And had walked off with the girl!

"But not for long," smiled Bender! "She finally saw what he was and married somebody else! Good thing for her, but I still have that score to settle!"

The third was Neil Rice, his attorney! The man had defended him half-heartedly and then, assigned to look after Will's property while he was away, had stolen him blind and made it look legitimate! So now Bender was almost broke!

"What chance has a man in prison to look after his property?" he scoffed! "But Rice won't take it with him where he's going!"

Will Bender had served twenty years, paying for a crime he had not committed! They had been long, hard years and his hatred had mounted high! Not for the enforcers of the law because he had always been a law-abiding man! But hatred of the three who had turned against him and given testimony so convincing that he could not have expected any other verdict than guilty!

Will sat in a small cottage which was all he had left of his former fortune! He wrote three letters, all alike, in a strange and scrawling hand! They read: I am coming to claim you soon and you will pay for your sins. I am DEATH!

He mailed the three letters to the three men then sat back to let them worry a while!

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Blackie Ford fumbled the note in his hands and his face turned pale! He had just worked

with a gang in a big holdup and murder! To him, the words were the finger of doom, especially since he was sure that the law was closing in and would soon take him along with the others!

"If I give myself up," he thought, "they may go easy with me! I'll do it!"

Bender smiled as he read an account in the newspaper of Blackie Ford's confession! One was out of the way without any effort! Mike Gaines would be next!

Bender put on a huge gray cloak with a hood which he pulled low over his head. On his face he smeared gray grease paint, leaving large white hollows around his eyes! He was thin and his fingers were bony but he accentuated that by adding long, false fingernails! He eyed himself in the mirror! If ever a living creature personified DEATH, he did!

He stood in the dusky shadows, waiting for Mike to enter his apartment building! As he saw him coming down the street, he spoke in a low voice! "Mike, come here!" he said.

"Somebody calling me?" asked Mike walking in the direction of the voice!

Then he stopped, staring! The dreadful figure of DEATH was before him! His hand clutched his heart and he fell to the ground!

It was a little different with Neil Rice! Will found a window of the attorney's house open, the beautiful house that had once belonged to him! He knew every inch of it and had no trouble in hiding himself until Rice decided to go to bed! The clock struck midnight and as Rice moved into the large dark hallway, Bender slipped stealthily toward him so that the reflected light made him look even more grotesque! He spoke in a low voice, as before!

"I told you I would come to claim you," he said! Rice trembled, then looked terrified! He ran wildly up the stairs! Bender heard a door slam and then a shot ring out! Bender hurried away!

The radio that night told of Rice's untimely death! Suicide! Gaines had died a few days before of a heart attack! And Blackie Ford had been convicted and sentenced to die!

The man who called himself DEATH sat staring into the gloom! His revenge was complete and yet he had acted entirely within the law! He had killed no one! They had all come to justice through the condemnation of their own consciences! Will Bender sat staring, hoping that now he could live again!



# BLACKHAWK

FROM A FUTURE TIME THEY CAME, RUTHLESS CONQUERORS WHO BRUSHED ASIDE THE PITIFUL WEAPONS OF THE COUNTRY'S DEFENDERS! AGAINST THEIR FANTASTIC ARSENAL NO ARMY COULD STAND, NO PEOPLE COULD SAVE THEMSELVES FROM SUBJECTION AND SLAVERY! BUT THE MIGHTY **BLACK-HAWKS**, DARK KNIGHTS OF THE SKY LANES, FLY FORTH TO CHALLENGE THE SINISTER POWERS OF THE  
**MEN from the FUTURE!**





















BUT THERE'S NO SENSE PRESSING OUR LUCK! THOSE WEAPONS THEY CARRY ARE DANGEROUS!  
**TAKE COVER!**



THEY CAN'T SEE US IN HERE! BUT WE **CAN** SEE THEM IF THEY TRY TO GET INTO THE HANGAR!



PARBLEU! NEVAIR HAVE WE FOUGHT ENEMIES LIKE THESE!

FOR ZE FIRST TIME, BLACKHAWK, I FEEL LIKE THEES GUN BEE A TOY! DID YOU SEE WHAT HAPPENED TO ZAT POOR FELLOW WHO GOT IN ZE WAY OF ONE OF THEIR RAY GUNS?

I SAW IT, ANDRE!



MAYBE THEY'RE BETTER ARMED! BUT THESE GUNS CAN STILL BE MIGHTY DANGEROUS TOYS!

EEEEEE!



FOOLS! WHY ARE YOU TAKING SO LONG TO SUBDUE THESE REBELS? YOU WILL CAUSE THE POPULACE TO DOUBT OUR POWERS!

WE CANNOT HELP IT, RHOD! THEY ARE NOT ORDINARY MEN!



THEY FIGHT LIKE WILD BEASTS! NOW THEY HAVE GONE INTO HIDING... WHERE IT IS CERTAIN DEATH TO PURSUE THEM!

USE THE TRANSPARENCY RAY, IDIOT! THAT WILL REVEAL THEM!

As THE TRANSPARENCY RAY GUNS ARE FOCUSSED ON THE CONCEALING HANGAR WALL...



NOM 'DE NOM! WE ARE DISCOVERED!

TAKE YOUR CHOICE, BLACKHAWKS! SURRENDER... OR DIE!











NOT BAD!  
BUT WHAT'S  
THE ALTERNATIVE?

DEATH! YOU  
MAY RULE  
WITH ME AS  
MY CONSORT,  
OR PERISH  
WITH YOUR  
COMRADES!



ALL THINGS  
CONSIDERED...  
AND MEANING  
NO OFFENSE  
TO YOU...  
I'LL CHOOSE  
DEATH!

YOU...YOU IN-  
SUFFERABLE  
BOOR! YOU  
SHALL  
REGRET THIS  
DECISION,  
BLACKHAWK...  
MOST PAINFULLY!



YOUR EXECUTION WILL  
TAKE PLACE...TODAY!  
AND I SHALL ENJOY  
IT FROM A PLACE  
OF HONOR!

THANKS,  
ANYWAY! YOU  
MADE AN  
AWFULLY  
GOOD TRY!



AS SOON AS RHODL DEPARTS,  
BLACKHAWK TAKES OUT HIS TINY  
BELT RADIO...

CALLING CHOP CHOP!  
LISTEN, I'VE JUST FOUND OUT  
SOMETHING **VERY** INTERESTING!  
WE'RE NOT LICKED YET...BY A  
LONG SHOT! JUST DO EXACTLY  
AS I TELL YOU!



IN THE TOWN SQUARE...

THIS IS THE FINISH! I'D  
ALWAYS HOPED WE'D  
CHECK OUT FIGHTING!  
NOT LIKE THIS...

TOO BAD ABOUT THAT!  
BUT I COULDN'T HOPE  
TO DIE WITH A BETTER  
BUNCH OF FELLOWS!



NO REGRETS, BY  
YIMINY! WE CAN DO  
OUR BEST...BUT  
WE NEVER HAD A  
CHANCE AGAINST  
FUTURE PEOPLE

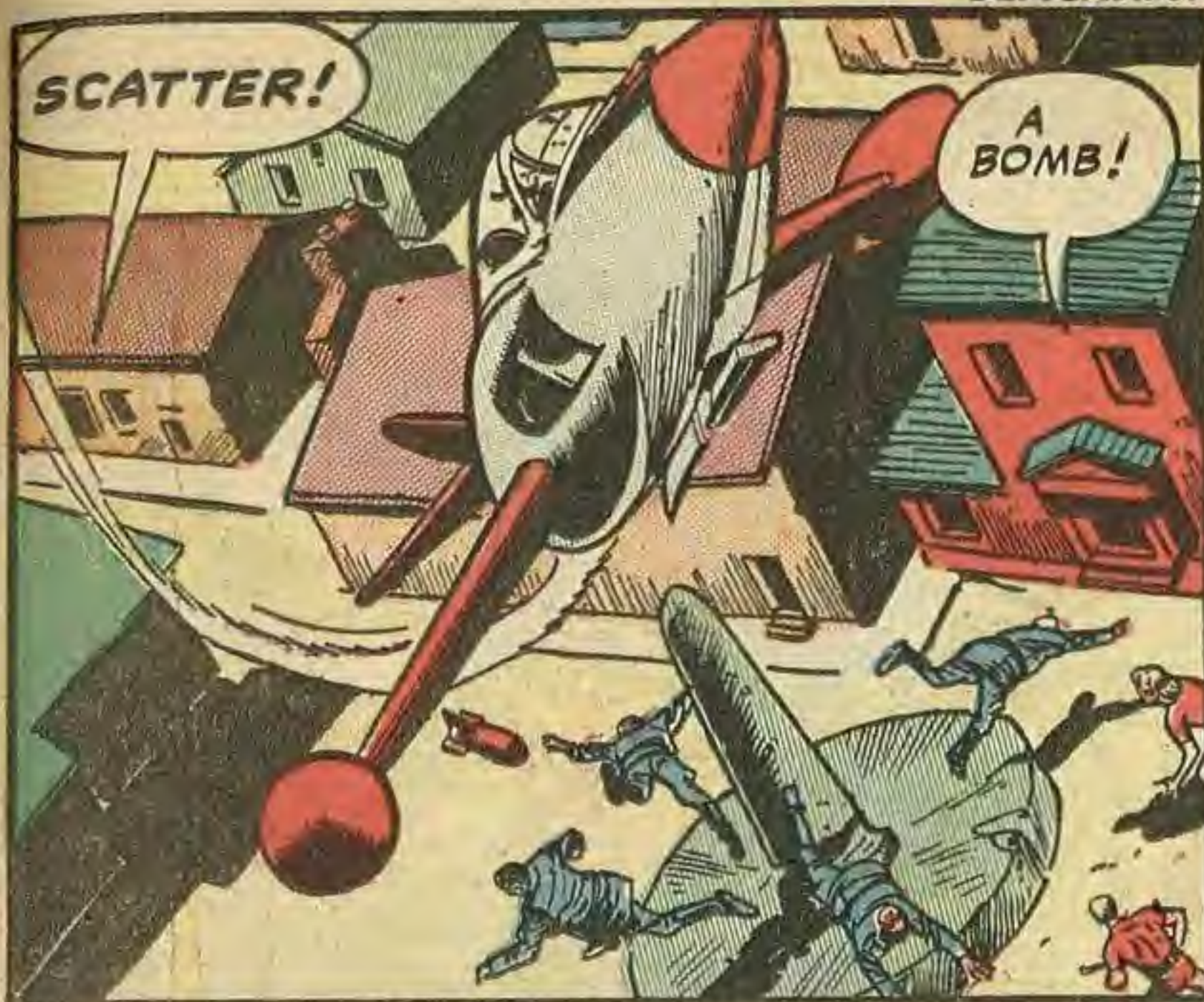
I'M NOT SO SURE THEY  
**ARE** FROM THE  
FUTURE! AND WE  
MAY GET ANOTHER  
CHANCE TO FIND  
OUT!



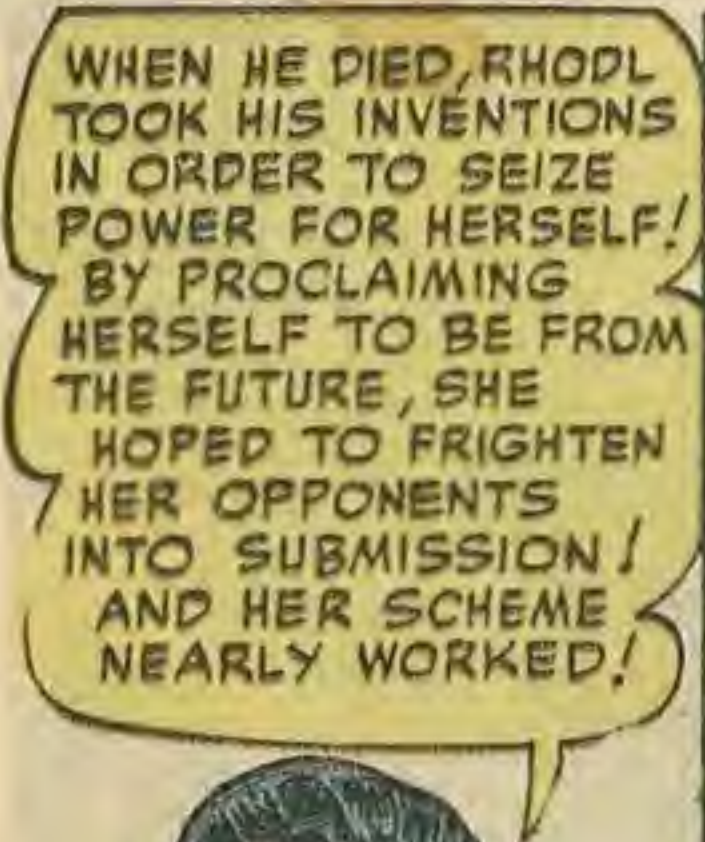
HERE COMES  
**CHOP CHOP!**

OVEL LAND, OVEL SEA  
ME FIGHT TO KEEP MEN  
FLEE  
**ME BLACKHAWK!**





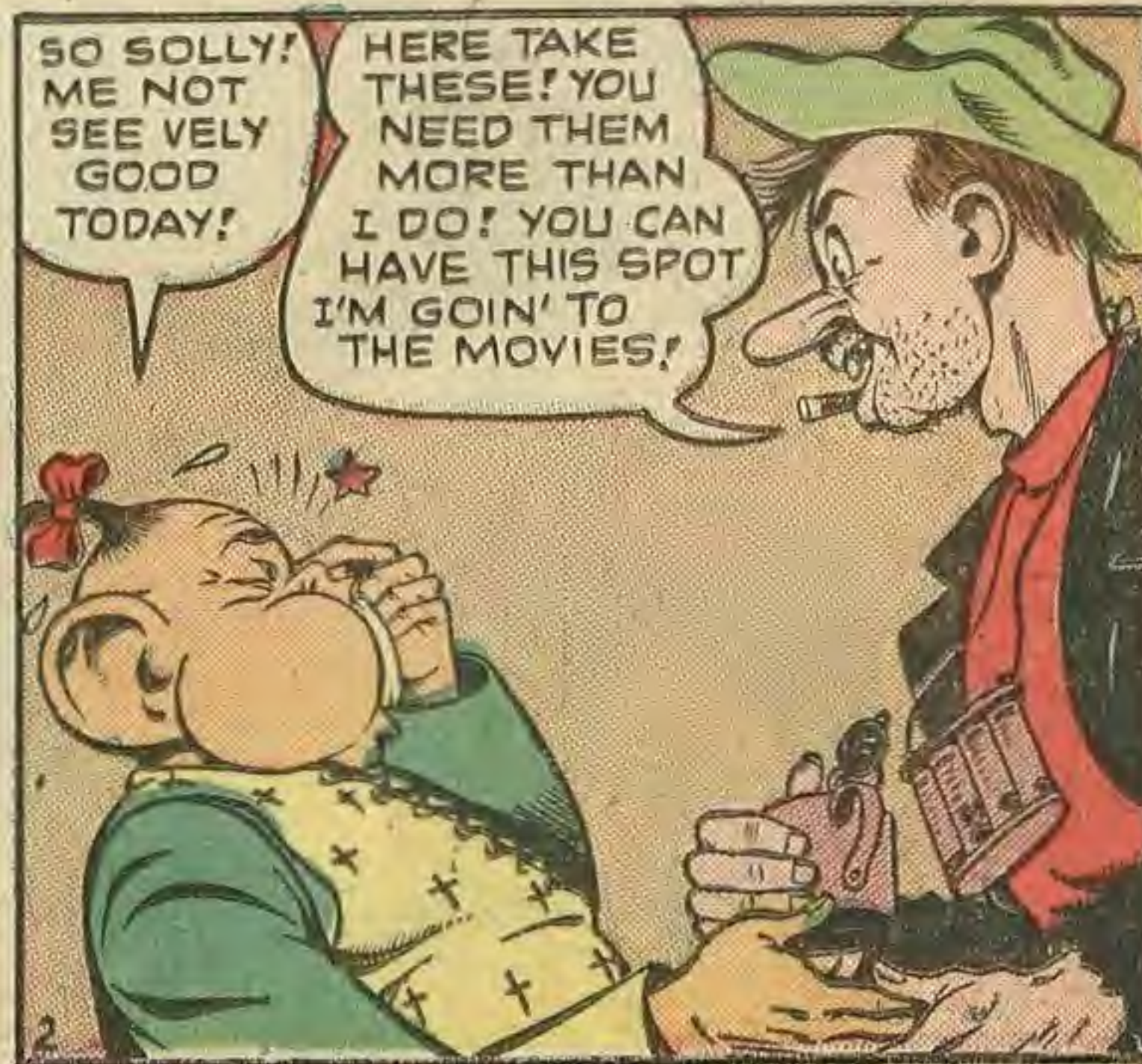
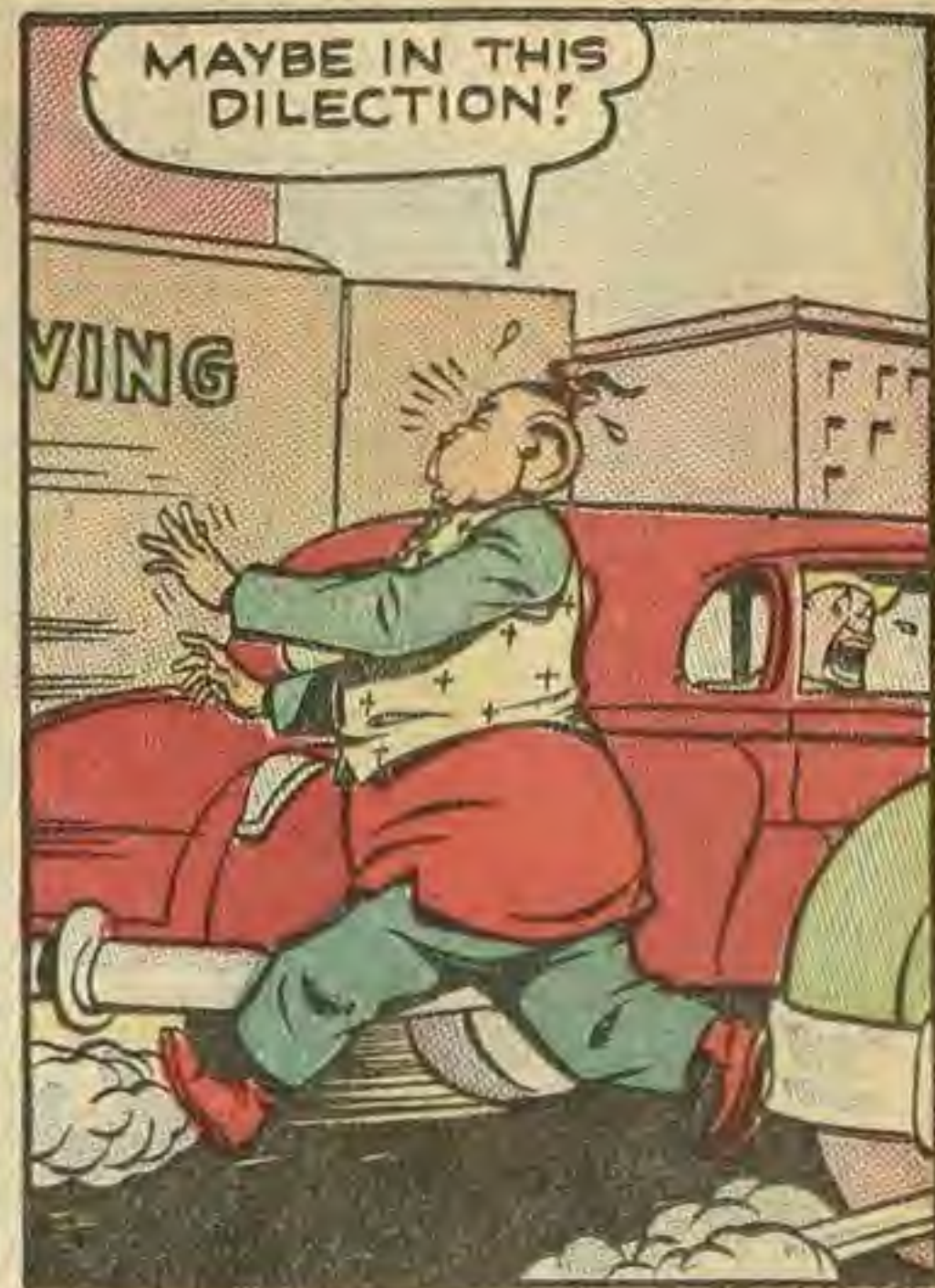




















NOW WE'LL GO RIGHT THROUGH HERE AND THEN...



I THINK YOU'LL BE QUITE COMFORTABLE HERE! THE DRUGGIST WILL BE WITH YOU SHORTLY!

ME HOPE ME NOT HAVE TO WAIT TOO LONG NOW!



IF WE WORK FAST WE CAN GET THAT LOOT STASHED IN THE BACK ROOM UNTIL THE HEAT IS OFF AND NOBODY WILL BE THE WISER!



THIS BE VELLY COMFORTABLE LOOM! NOT HOT - AND STUFFY HERE!



NOW WHAT DOES HE THINK HE'S DOING? TAKING A SUN BATH?



ON YOUR WAY, MAC!

YOU NOT UNDER-  
STAND! ME WAIT  
FOR DRUGGIST!



THAT'S A LIKELY STORY! THE NEAREST DRUG STORE IS A BLOCK AWAY!

BUT WE BE INSIDE DRUG STORE NOW AND MAN SAY DRUGGIST COME SOON!







# BLACKHAWK

## AND THE WEIRD INVADERS from INFERNO!

ACROSS A HUNDRED MILES OF UNKNOWN SWAMPLAND THE GREAT TUNNEL WAS TO BE BUILT! BUT THERE WAS GREATER DANGER THAN ANYTHING NATURE COULD PROVIDE! FOR THE MYSTERIOUS MATTO LARGO SWAMP COUNTRY WAS THE DOMAIN OF THE **INFERNO MEN**... WEIRD AND SINISTER CREATURES AGAINST WHOSE EERIE POWERS EVEN THE MIGHTY **BLACKHAWKS** WERE HELPLESS!

THE BLACKHAWKS ARE PRESENT AT THE OPENING OF THE MOST DIFFICULT ENGINEERING FEAT OF MODERN TIMES...

I NEVER BELIEVED YOU'D FINISH THE TUNNEL ON SCHEDULE, JOHN WITHERS!

MY CHIEF PROBLEM WAS GETTING WORKERS FOR THE PROJECT, BLACKHAWK! AS YOU KNOW, THE TUNNEL RUNS BENEATH A HUNDRED MILES OF THE MATTO LARGO SWAMPLAND!

GALA OPENING OF TUNNEL  
LINKING BLAZOS AND PEROTIA

NATIVES AROUND HERE BELIEVE THE MATTO LARGO TO BE THE LAND BENEATH WHICH LIES THE INFERNO OF MEDIEVAL LEGEND! THEY CLAIM CREATURES FROM THE INFERNO STILL ROAM IN THE UNEXPLORED INTERIOR!

IGNORANCE AND SUPERSTITION ARE ALWAYS DANGEROUS ENEMIES, WITHERS!



I AGREE WITH YOU, BLACKHAWK! I AM MADAME MAINOT, AMBASSADRESS FROM PEROTIA! SINCE THIS GREAT TUNNEL WILL UNITE MY COUNTRY WITH ITS NEIGHBOR, BRAZOS, I CONSIDER IT A GREAT STEP TOWARD PROGRESS AND PEACE!

I'M SURE EVERYONE AGREES WITH YOU, MADAME MAINOT!



CAN'T WE GO WITH YOU ON THE FIRST TEST RUN THROUGH THE TUNNEL, WITHERS?

NO SENSE RISKING MORE THAN ONE LIFE, BLACKHAWK! IF THE TUNNEL ISN'T SAFE, I'M THE ONE WHO SHOULD PAY THE PENALTY! AFTER ALL, I BUILT IT!



DAS BAN A GREAT DAY FOR JOHN WITHERS, BY YIMINY!

LET'S WATCH HIS PROGRESS ON THE INDICATOR BOARD!



MOMENTS LATER...

THERE'S AN ELABORATE SERIES OF PHOTO-ELECTRIC CELLS THAT SET OFF A TRIGGER SIGNAL AT THE FIRST SIGN OF TROUBLE ANYWHERE INSIDE THE TUNNEL!

SAPRISTI! ZE WARNING LAMPES FLASHING FROM SECTION 5!

CONTROL PANEL



WITHERS IS RIDING STRAIGHT INTO TROUBLE! AND THERE'S NO WAY TO WARN HIM!

LET'S GO, GANG! WHATEVER'S HAPPENING DOWN THERE WILL NEED OUR PERSONAL ATTENTION!



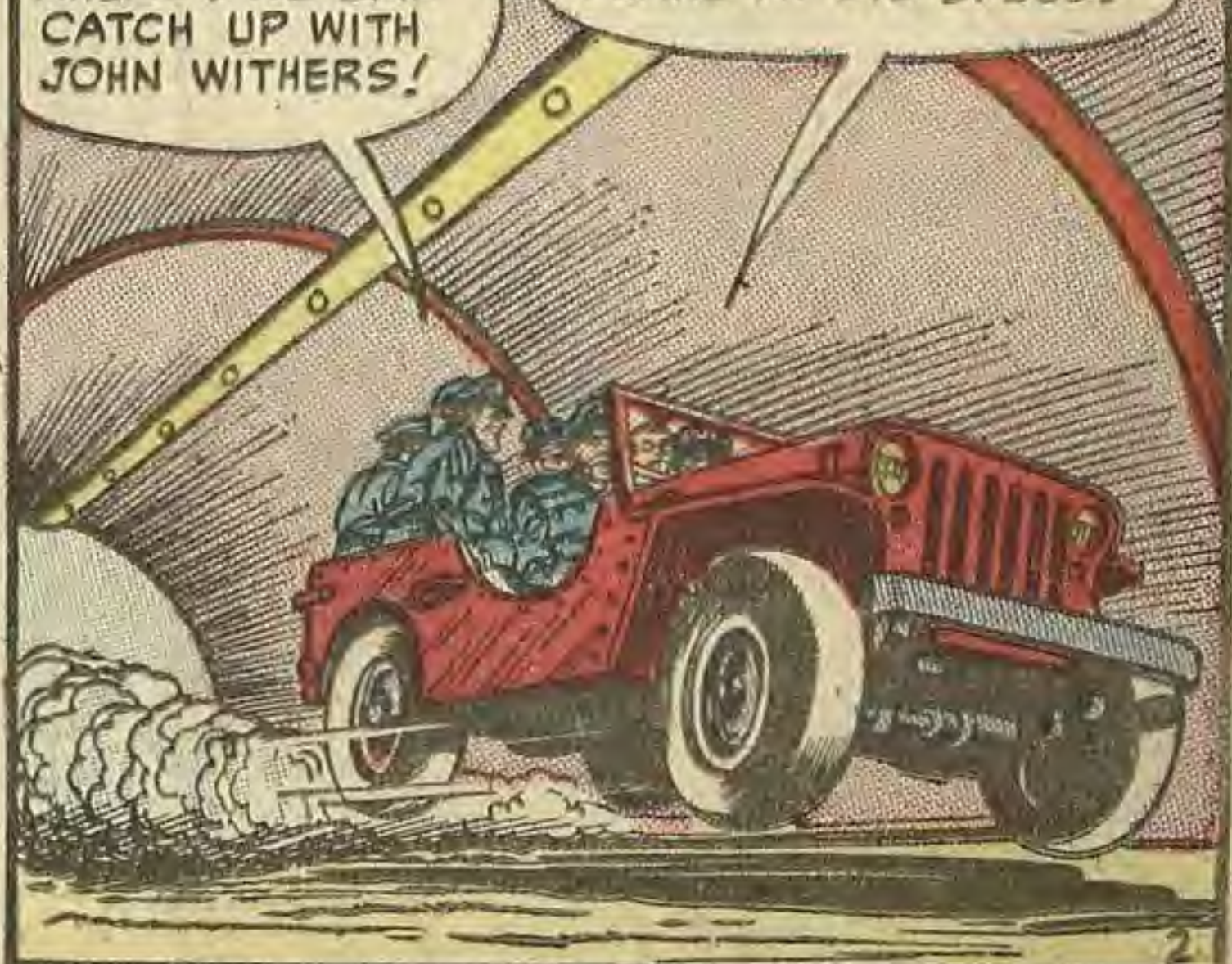
HAWKAAA!

THE CRAZY FOOLS! THEY RIDE INTO DANGER LIKE OTHER MEN GO OUT FOR A HOLIDAY!



AY BAN THINK AY HEAR MOTOR AHEAD! WE BAN CATCH UP WITH JOHN WITHERS!

HALT'S MAUL! VE COULD CATCH UP MIT A JET PLANE AT DIS SPEED!









INSIDIOUSLY, THE SWAMP MUD SEEPS INTO THE TUNNEL...

GOOD GLORY! WE'LL BE **BURIED ALIVE!**

I GOT OUT IN TIME! A LUCKY THING FOR HENDRICKSON THAT I DID! THAT MUCK HAD NEARLY COVERED HIM ENTIRELY!

BY GAR! DAS BAN SOME WALLOP I GOT! UH-OH! AY BETTER LEND BLACKHAWK A HAND!



SOON...

ALL PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR! BUT THE SWAMP OOZE IS STILL POURING INTO THE TUNNEL! WE CAN'T STOP IT!

I GUARDED AGAINST SUCH A DISASTER, BLACKHAWK! EACH TUNNEL SECTION HAS SELF-SEALING DEVICES, LIKE A SUBMARINE!



WE'RE OUT OF DANGER NOW! I CAN THROW A SWITCH AND SHUT OFF THE FLOODED COMPARTMENT!



WE'RE SAFE NOW! LATER, THE FLOODED SECTION CAN BE REPLACED!

BUT THAT WON'T SOLVE THE MAIN PROBLEM! THOSE SAME CREATURES WE BATTLED WITH MAY RETURN TO WRECK THE TUNNEL AGAIN! WHO WERE THEY? WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?



The FOLLOWING DAY...

THE WORKERS ARE ALREADY REPLACING THE FLOODED SECTION, BLACKHAWK!

WE'LL TOUR THE SWAMP AREA NEARBY JUST TO MAKE SURE NOTHING ELSE GOES WRONG! IF THE INFERNO MEN SHOW UP, WE'LL BE READY FOR THEM!



THE BLACKHAWKS ARE BRAVE MEN! BUT I'M AFRAID THEY'RE GOING TO CHALLENGE A POWER GREATER THAN THEY KNOW!

THEN YOU BELIEVE IN THESE FANTASTIC INVADERS FROM THE INFERNO!





I HAVE NO CHOICE, MADAME MAINOT! I **SAW** THEM---AND THAT IS AN EXPERIENCE I SHALL NEVER FORGET! THEY WERE NOT CREATURES OF THIS WORLD!

PERHAPS THE NATIVES ARE RIGHT! PERHAPS THE INFERNO OF LEGEND **DOES** LIE SOMEWHERE BENEATH THE MATTO LARGO!



MEANWHILE, ACROSS THE INCREDIBLE WASTELAND OF THE MATTO LARGO, THE INTREPID BLACKHAWKS PURSUE THEIR COURSE!

MON DIEU! EET WOULD NOT BE VEREE DIFFICULT TO GET LOST IN HERE, MES AMIS!

I'M KEEPING A COMPASS BEARING ON OUR LOCATION! ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS, THE TUNNEL PASSES ALMOST DIRECTLY BENEATH US!



IF THE INFERNO MEN ARE GOING TO ATTACK, THIS SHOULD BE THE PLACE WHERE---

BLACK-HAWK! LOOK! A **WATER SPOUT!**



HEAD FOR IT! THAT CAN ONLY MEAN PART OF THE TUNNEL BELOW IT HAS COLLAPSED! THE RESULTING RUSH OF AIR PRESSURE CAUSED THE SPOUT!



HELLO! CAN YOU HEAR ME, HENDRICKSON? WE'RE CIRCLING NEAR THE SPOT WHERE THE INFERNO MEN MAY HAVE ATTACKED! OVER!

JA! I HEAR YOU, BLACK-HAWK!



And IN A PLANE OVERHEAD---

I THINK I SEE SOMEDING TOO! IN DER CLUSTER OF ISLAND SOUTH BY WEST FROM YOUR BOAT! I T'INK YOU BETTER TAKE A LOOK!



HENDRICKSON'S RIGHT! IT'S SOME KIND OF A LOADING PLATFORM! CAREFULLY CAMOUFLAGED, TOO!









WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW?  
WITHOUT THAT HEAD, YOU  
LOOK **ALMOST**  
HUMAN!

**BLACKHAWK**  
GLUHGGG!

TIENS! I WONDER  
HOW FAR I CAN  
PUSH ZE HEAD  
DOWN INTO ZE  
SUITS!

D-DON'T! I  
**SURRENDER!**

ME TLY OUT CLEAVER  
ON YOU NOW, HEY?

N-NO,  
PLEASE!

MY MAN  
JUMPED!

TOO LATE TO GET HIM  
BACK NOW, STANISLAUS!  
HE SANK LIKE A STONE!  
AND WITHOUT HIS HEAD-  
PIECE, HE'S DONE FOR!

I GUESS  
THAT  
ENDS IT,  
EH, BLACK-  
HAWK?

NOT QUITE! WE'VE STILL GOT TO  
FIND OUT **WHY** THESE THUGS  
WENT TO SUCH PAINS TO WRECK THE  
TUNNEL THROUGH THE SWAMP!

I-I'LL TALK! I'LL TELL  
EVERYTHING, BLACK-  
HAWK!

**A SHORT WHILE LATER...**

THE NATIVE WORKERS HAVE ALL  
DESERTED! I CAN'T BLAME THEM,  
IN A WAY! WHEN WORD REACHED  
US OF THE LATEST TUNNEL  
COLLAPSE THEY FIGURED IT  
WAS HOPELESS TO RESIST  
THE INFERNO MEN!

I'M  
SORRY  
THIS SPELLS  
FAILURE FOR YOU,  
MR. WITHERS!

YOUR GREAT  
PROJECT WOULD  
HAVE HELPED TO  
UNITE THE  
PEOPLES OF  
BRAZOS AND  
PEROTIA! IT  
WOULD HAVE  
FORGED AN UN-  
BREAKABLE  
LINK OF FRIEND-  
SHIP BETWEEN US!

AND  
THAT'S  
JUST  
WHAT  
YOU  
DIDN'T  
WANT!





BLACKHAWK!  
I D-DON'T  
KNOW WHAT  
YOU MEAN!

YOU CAN STOP LYING,  
MADAME MAINOT!  
YOUR AGENTS HAVE  
ALREADY CONFESSED  
EVERYTHING! **YOU**  
ARE THE SECRET HEAD  
OF THE WAR PARTY  
IN PEROTIA...



YOU AND YOUR FELLOW  
CONSPIRATORS IN THE  
PEROTIAN GOVERN-  
MENT HAVE BEEN TRY-  
ING TO DRUM UP A WAR  
AGAINST BRAZOS! AS  
AMBASSADRESS,  
YOU'VE DONE YOUR  
BEST TO STIR UP  
DISSENSION AND  
MISTRUST BETWEEN  
BOTH COUNTRIES!



WITHERS' TUNNEL PROJECT WOULD  
HAVE UNDONE MUCH OF YOUR EVIL  
WORK! IT WOULD HAVE ESTABLISHED  
A NEW AVENUE FOR FRIENDLY  
TRADE, AND ENABLED THE  
PEOPLE TO GET TO KNOW  
AND LIKE EACH OTHER!

HOW  
CAN  
YOU  
ACCUSE ME  
OF SUCH A  
THING?



**SUDDENLY!**

BUT I SUPPOSE THERE'S NO USE  
DENYING IT! YOU'VE CAPTURED MY  
AGENTS! BUT YOU'LL NEVER  
CAPTURE ME!

NOM DE NOM!  
SHE HAS A  
GUN!



LET'S SAY MERELY THAT  
SHE **HAD** A GUN!

OH HH!



SACRE BLEU!  
WHO WOULD  
'AVE THOUGHT  
SUCH A LOVELY  
LADY COULD  
POSSESS SUCH  
UGLY THOUGHTS!

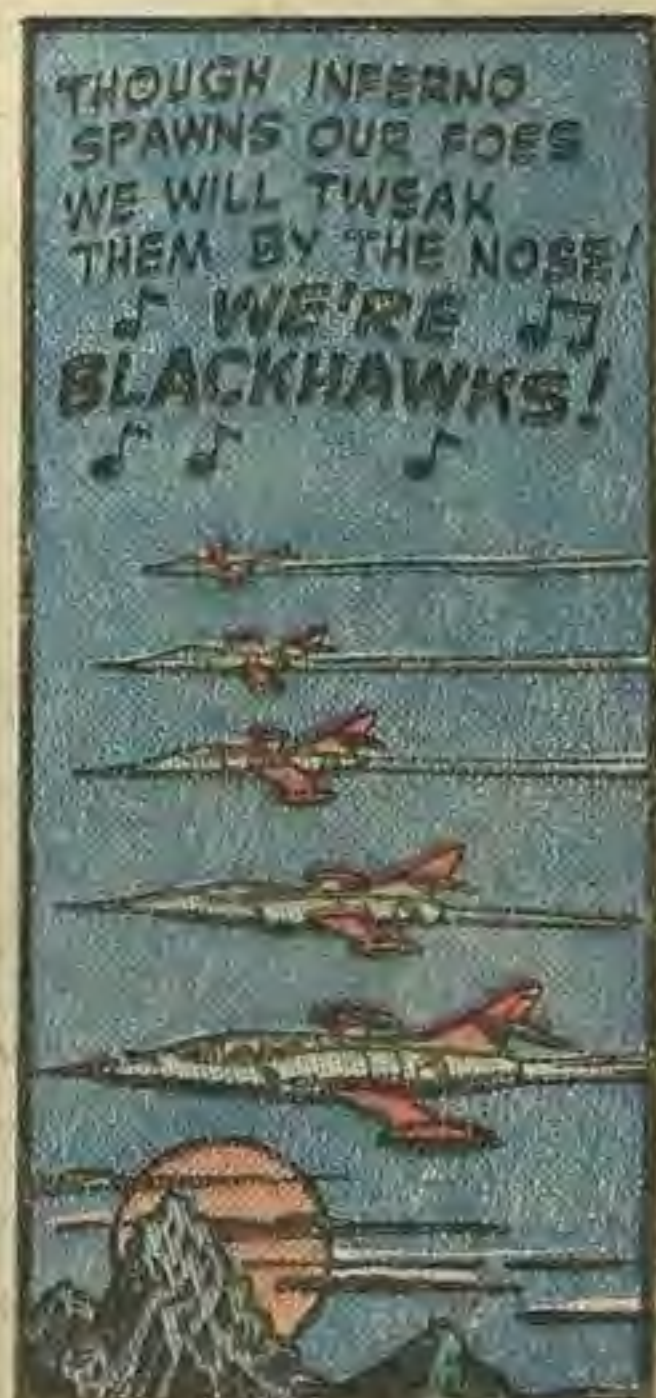
YOU'RE AN  
INCURABLE  
ROMANTIC,  
ANDRE! I THINK  
THE GOVERN-  
MENT OF  
PEROTIA WILL  
KNOW HOW TO  
DEAL REALISTICALLY  
WITH... TREASON!



SOMETIME LATER, AS THE GREAT TUNNEL IS  
COMPLETED...

TRAFFIC HAS ALREADY  
STARTED MOVING BACK  
AND FORTH! THAT'S THE  
BEST AUGURY FOR  
PEACE!

AY BAN  
THINK SO TOO,  
BLACKHAWK!



THOUGH INFERNO  
SPAWNS OUR FOES  
WE WILL TWIST  
THEM BY THE NOSE!  
♪ WE'RE ♪  
**BLACKHAWKS!**



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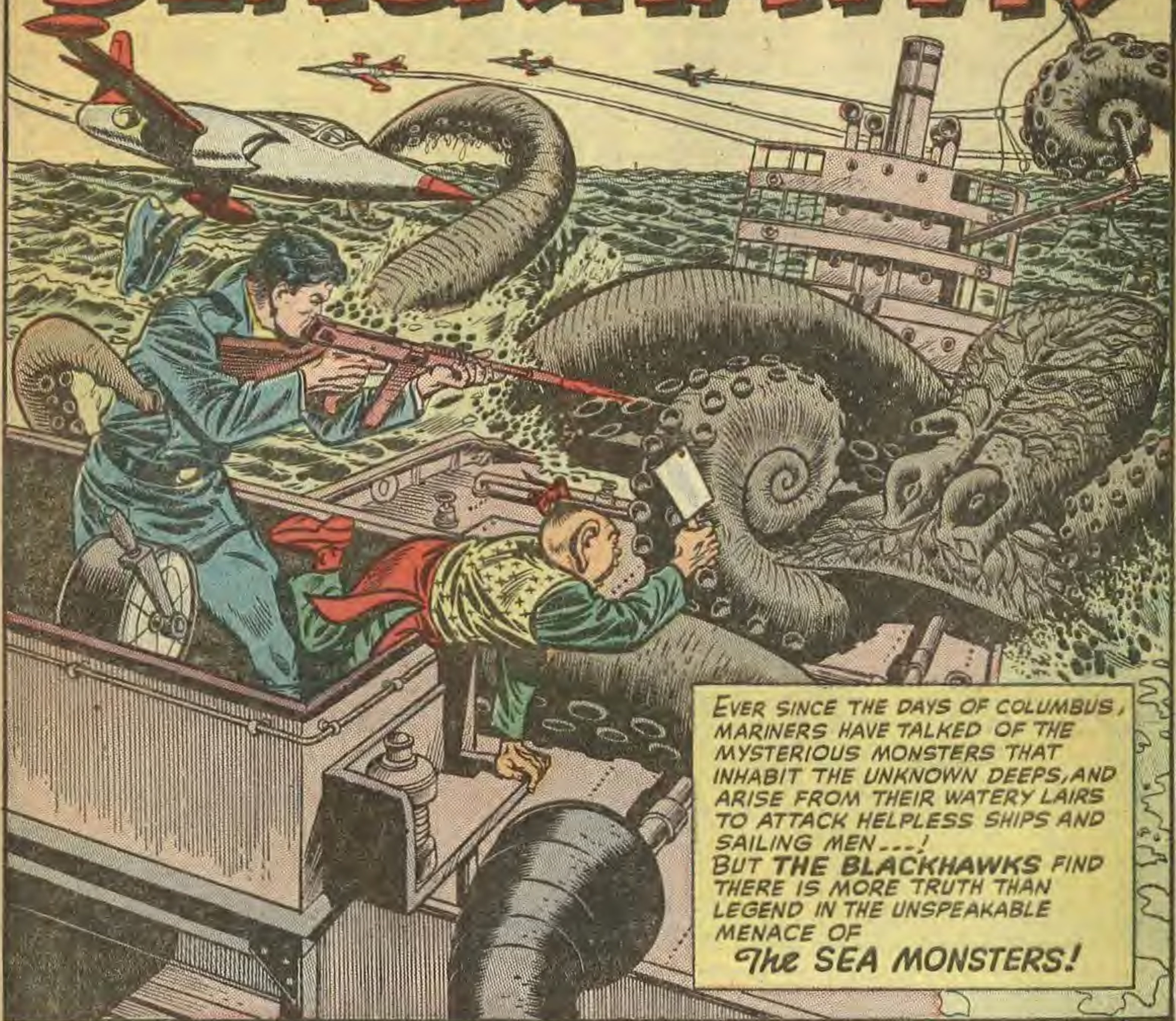
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# BLACKHAWK



EVER SINCE THE DAYS OF COLUMBUS, MARINERS HAVE TALKED OF THE MYSTERIOUS MONSTERS THAT INHABIT THE UNKNOWN DEEPS, AND ARISE FROM THEIR WATERY LAIRS TO ATTACK HELPLESS SHIPS AND SAILING MEN...! BUT THE BLACKHAWKS FIND THERE IS MORE TRUTH THAN LEGEND IN THE UNSPEAKABLE MENACE OF *The SEA MONSTERS!*

ON LUBOS ISLAND ARE THE FAMED MARINE LABORATORIES OF PROFESSOR ANDREW JENSEN!

IS...IS IT DEAD, JENSEN?

QUITE DEAD, DUKAS!



YOU SEE, DUKAS, THE TREMENDOUS SIZE OF THE SPECIMEN MAKES IT EXTREMELY SHORT-LIVED! THIS SEA HORSE, FOR EXAMPLE, LIVED SOMEWHAT LESS THAN TWENTY FOUR HOURS!

BUT IT MUST HAVE GROWN TO A HUNDRED TIMES ITS NORMAL SIZE!







YES...MY EXPERIMENTS ARE COMPLETE! MY CONCENTRATED FOOD-FORMULA FOR MARINE LIFE PROVED THAT IT CAN BREED A SPECIES OF FISH HITHERTO UNKNOWN!

WHAT NOW, PROFESSOR?



I SHALL REPORT MY DISCOVERIES TO THE ACADEMY! PERHAPS THEY WILL EVEN ELECT ME A MEMBER!

PROFESSOR JENSEN IS A FOOL! ALL HE WANTS IS A MEANINGLESS HONOR FROM SOME STUFFY SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY!



I KNOW A MORE PROFITABLE WAY TO USE PROFESSOR JENSEN'S DISCOVERY! HIS GENIUS WILL MAKE ME RICH! BUT FIRST I MUST DISPOSE OF HIM... FOREVER!



SEVERAL WEEKS LATER...

THE HIGH SEA WALL IS FINISHED! NOW THE HARBOR WILL BE A BREEDING GROUND FOR MY GIANT SPECIES!



I SHALL WRITE THE ACADEMY TONIGHT! THEY CAN SEND A REPRESENTATIVE TO EXAMINE THE EXPERIMENTAL SPECIES THAT ARE HERE IN THE HARBOR!

I'M SORRY, PROFESSOR!

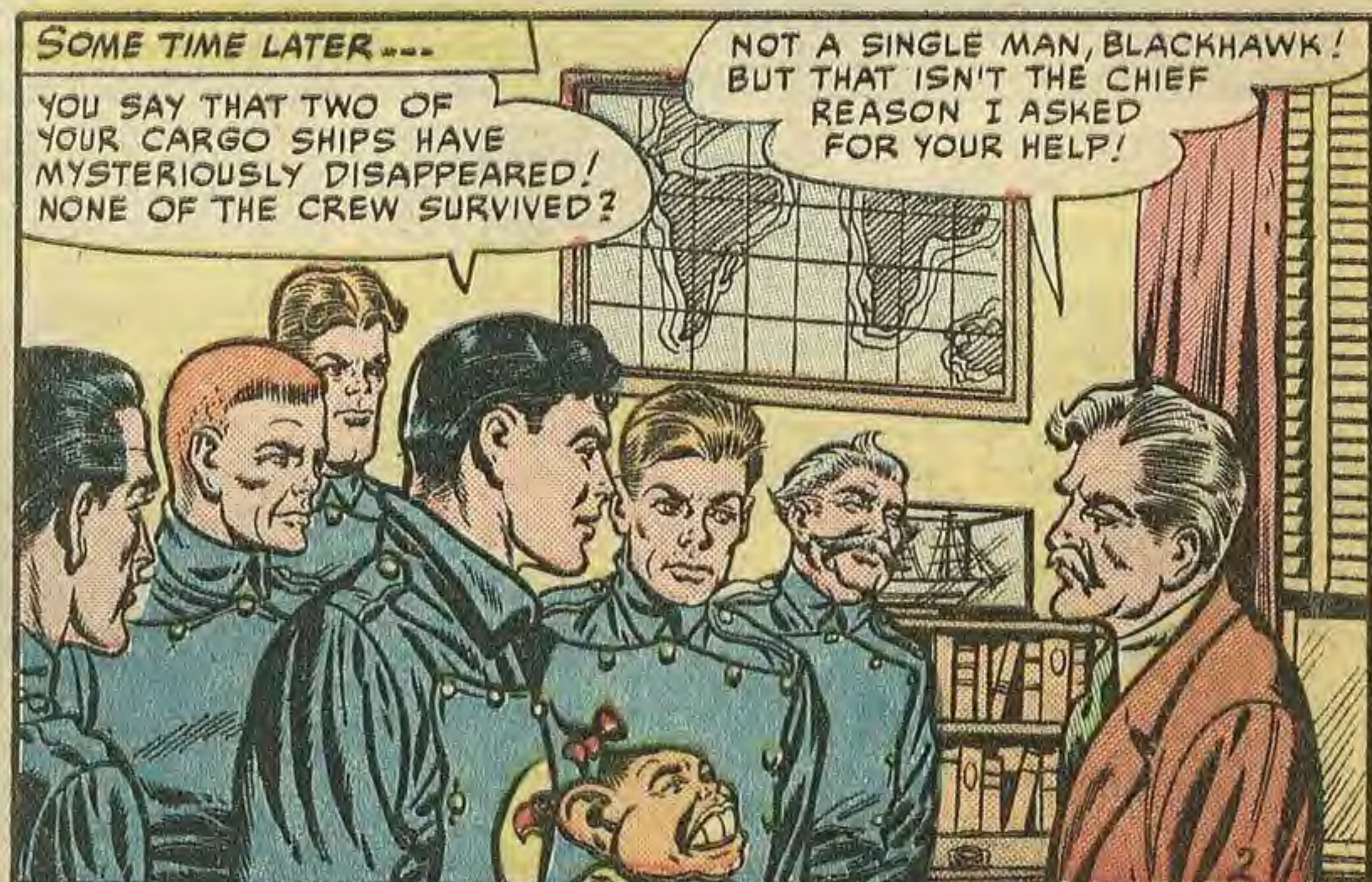


BUT YOU AND I ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO KNOW ABOUT YOUR EXPERIMENTS! AND I DON'T INTEND TO SHARE THE SECRET!

YIIIIII!



JENSEN IS DEAD! NOW I CAN GO AHEAD WITH MY PLAN! I WILL BE THE WEALTHIEST MAN ON THESE ISLANDS!



SOME TIME LATER...

YOU SAY THAT TWO OF YOUR CARGO SHIPS HAVE MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED! NONE OF THE CREW SURVIVED?

NOT A SINGLE MAN, BLACKHAWK! BUT THAT ISN'T THE CHIEF REASON I ASKED FOR YOUR HELP!



# BLACKHAWK



THE SHIPS MIGHT HAVE FOUNDERED DURING A TYPHOON! OR SO I THOUGHT, UNTIL I RECEIVED THIS MESSAGE!

HMM! IT'S FROM THE TROPICAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY! I NEVER HEARD OF IT!



THEY OFFER TO INSURE YOUR SHIPS AGAINST ANY POSSIBLE DAMAGE... FOR AN EXORBITANT FEE!

OUI! BUT ZEY ALSO WARN OF MORE TROUBLE, EEF THE INSURANCE IS NOT PURCHASED!



NO REPUTABLE INSURANCE COMPANY WOULD MAKE SUCH A VEILED THREAT! OR CHARGE SUCH FEES FOR THAT MATTER...

SIR! I JUST PICKED UP AN S.O.S. FROM ONE OF OUR CARGO SHIPS!



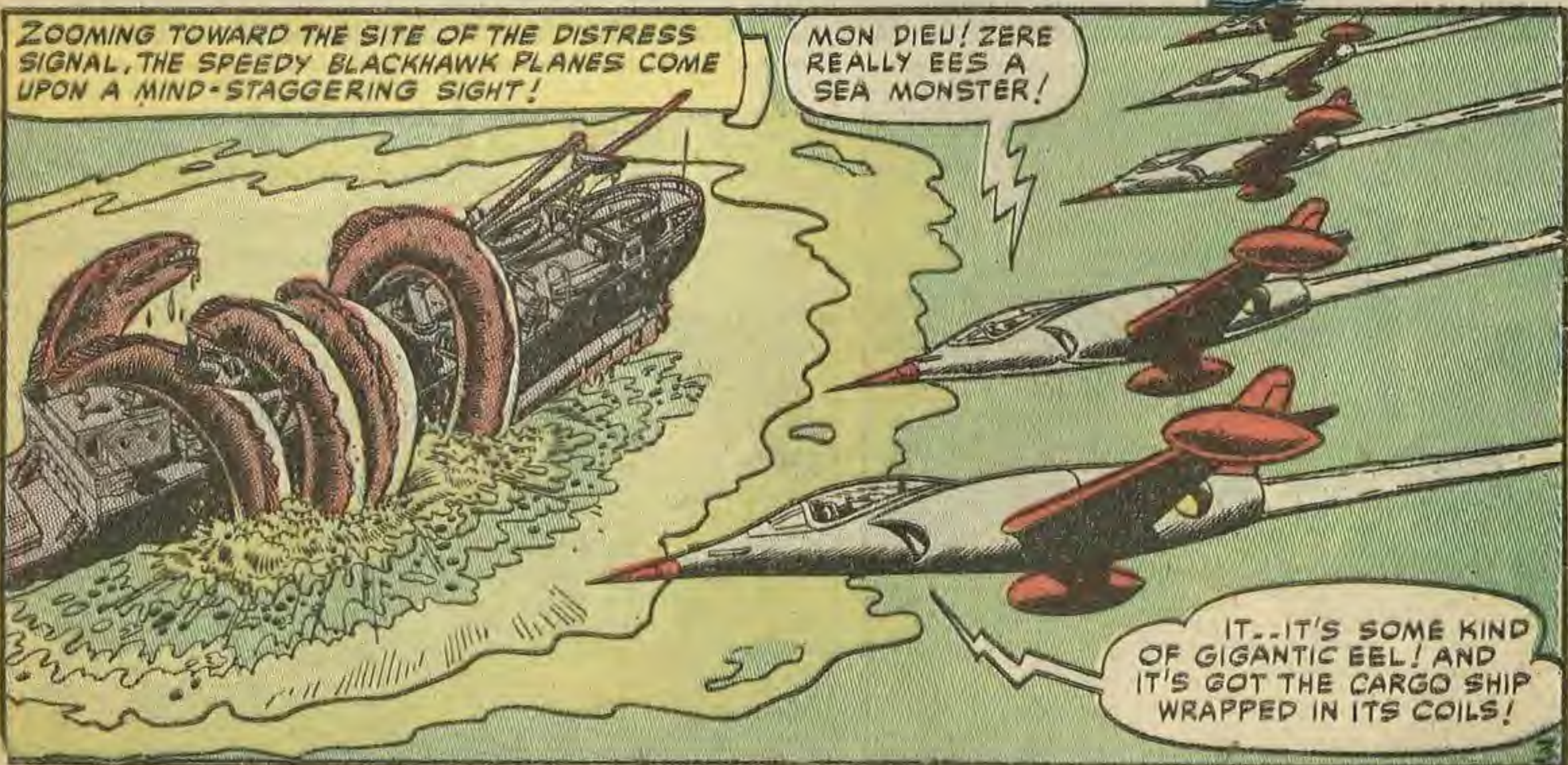
IT-IT SAYS THEY'RE BEING ATTACKED BY SOME KIND OF SEA MONSTER! THE SENDING SET WENT DEAD IN THE MIDDLE OF THEIR MESSAGE!

A SEA MONSTER? IT DOESN'T SOUND POSSIBLE!



BUT WE'LL FIND OUT! LET'S GO, GANG!

HAWKAAAA!



ZOOMING TOWARD THE SITE OF THE DISTRESS SIGNAL, THE SPEEDY BLACKHAWK PLANES COME UPON A MIND-STAGGERING SIGHT!

MON DIEU! ZERE REALLY EES A SEA MONSTER!

IT...IT'S SOME KIND OF GIGANTIC EEL! AND IT'S GOT THE CARGO SHIP WRAPPED IN ITS COILS!





WE CAN'T STRAFE IT WITHOUT RISKING THE LIVES OF THE MEN ABOARD THE SHIP! LOWER PONTOONS! WE'LL LAND NEARBY!



MOMENTS LATER... THAT OVER-GROWN HUNK OF SAUSAGE MUST HAVE FELT OUR BULLETS! HE'S LOOKING TOWARD US!



PY YUMPIN' YIMINY! I BAN THINK WE MADE HIM MAD!

ME CARVE HIM UP FLO DINNER!



SUDDENLY A VICIOUS COIL SNAKES OUT, AND...

EEYOW! IS BIG MISTAKE! HE HAS CHOP CHOP FLO MEAL INSTEAD!

NOT IF WE CAN HELP IT!



IF I CAN ONLY LOOSEN ITS GRIP!

HULLY, PLEASE! HUMBLE PERSON FEELS APPROACH OF UNCONSCIOUSNESS!

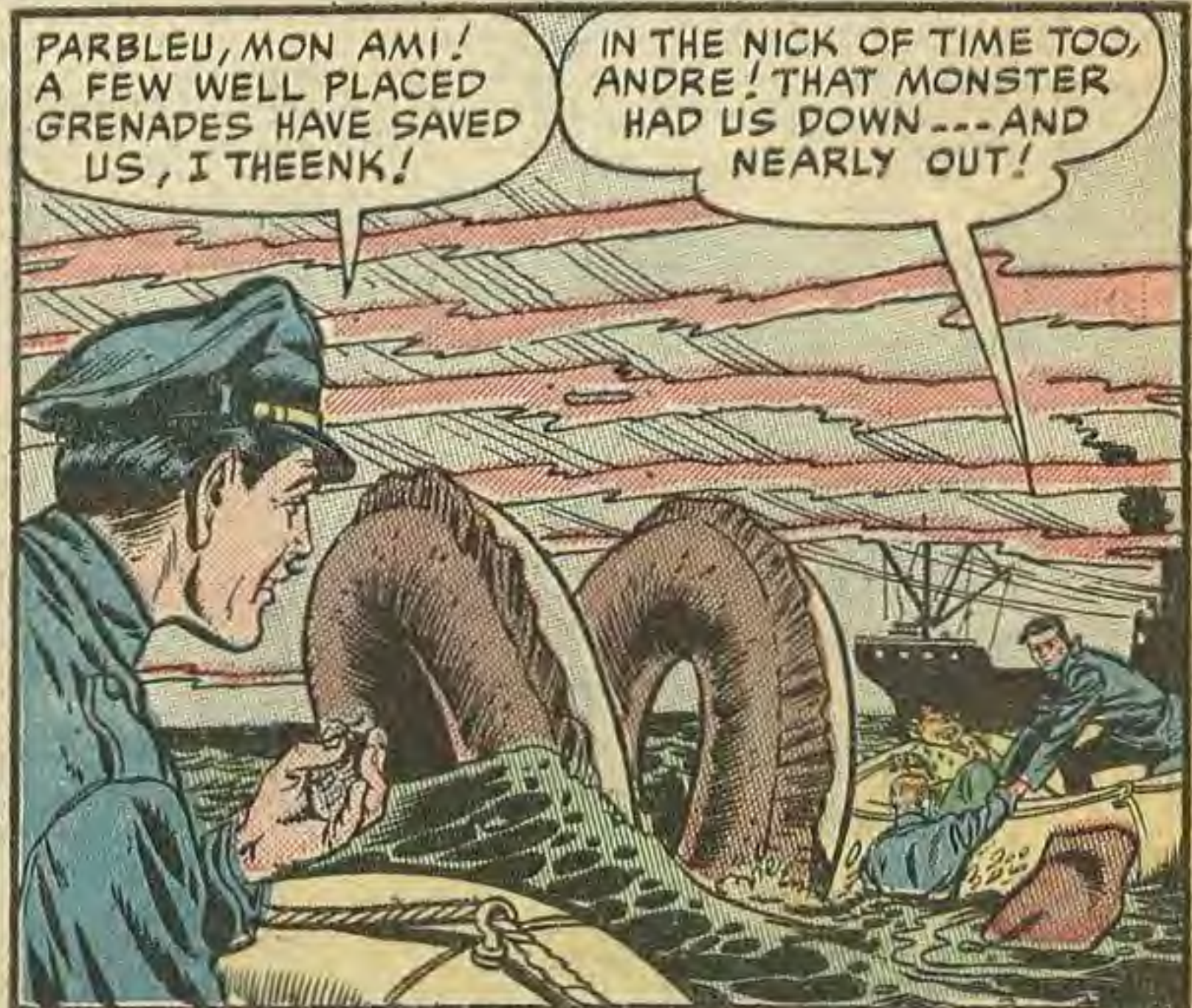
WHOP!

UHUUH!



CHOP CHOP BLACKED OUT! AND THE BLASTED EEL HAS GOT ME!

BOOM  
BOOM



PARBLEU, MON AMI! A FEW WELL PLACED GRENADES HAVE SAVED US, I THEENK!

IN THE NICK OF TIME TOO, ANDRE! THAT MONSTER HAD US DOWN --- AND NEARLY OUT!



LATER, ABOARD THE CRIPPLED CARGO VESSEL ---

WE SUFFERED A FEW BUCKLED PLATES! BUT THE PUMPS ARE WORKING OVERTIME! WE'LL MAKE PORT SAFELY!

NOW WE'VE AN IDEA OF WHAT MAY HAVE HAPPENED TO THOSE OTHER MISSING SHIPS!



BUT IF SEA MONSTERS LIKE THAT WERE RESPONSIBLE, HOW COULD ANYBODY OFFER PROTECTION AGAINST THEM? WE'D BETTER HAVE A TALK WITH THE OWNER OF THIS TROPICAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY!

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SOON ---

THERE'S THE ISLAND!

BUT WHY IS DER HARBOR BLOCKED OFF MIT A SEA WALL?



WE'LL FIND OUT THE ANSWER TO THAT AS SOON AS WE ---  
**EEEEYOW!**



DID YOU SEE WHAT I SAW? A FLYING FISH AS BIG AS A WHALE!

SACRE NOM! I SAW EET... BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE EET!



WELL, I DO! WE'VE FOUND THE HIDING PLACE OF THE SEA MONSTERS! RETRACT PONTOONS, AND USE WHEELS FOR A LANDING ON THE ISLAND ITSELF!



THOSE MEN ARE TRESPASSERS HERE! SEIZE THEM!

SEEMS WE'RE ABOUT TO MEET WITH AN UNFRIENDLY RECEPTION!











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